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NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

SIR:

Rejected claims 1-25, and 27 in the decision of the Examiner dated August 28, 2000, are hereby appealed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Please charge payment of the appeal fee of \$155.00 (small entity) to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2000, for which response period expired on November 28, 2000. The extended period expires on February 28, 2001. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) additional extension fee of \$445.00 (small entity), to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees and/or patent application processing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

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